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NATIONAL EDUCATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF THE UNITED STATES.

Office of the President.

Milwaukee, Wis., March 6, 1912.

Mr. Olof Hanson,
Seattle, Wash.

Dear Sir:

Permit me to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of February 26, and to assure you that I have noted with interest the contents thereof.

It is not unusual to find deaf persons, educated under the old systems, who entertain the views expressed by you.

I note also the printed matter which you send, and which was apparently printed long ago. You are, of course, entitled to entertain your own views of this matter; I am glad to know what those views are.

Very truly yours,

C. G. Pearse.

NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF THE DEAF

President's Office, Seattle, Wash.

March 12, 1912.

Mr. Carroll G. Pearse,

Pres. Nat. Educational Association,
Milwaukee, Wis.

Dear Sir:

Your favor of the 6th inst. received. I thank you for your courteous reply. I believe that if you were familiar with both sides of the question you would see the matter in a different light. For many years the oralists have been active in placing their side before the public. Dr. Alexander Graham Bell has addressed conventions of the National Educational Association, and the Volta Bureau has distributed his literature freely. This Volta Bureau is a Bell institution pure and simple, being founded and endowed, and largely supported and controlled by Dr. Bell. While ostensibly established "for the increase and diffusion of knowledge relating to the deaf," it has in a large measure been used to exploit Dr. Bell's views about the education of the deaf.

When the National Association of the Deaf met in Colorado in 1910 the oralists were invited to come and discuss their claims before the educated deaf of the country, and special invitations were sent to Dr. Bell, Mr. Booth, and Dr. Crouter. Did they come? No! They prefer to argue their case before the public which does not understand the deaf, and is easily deceived

THE PATH THE CALF MADE

BY SAM WALTER FOSS

One day, through the primeval wood,
A calf walked home, as good calves should:

But made a trail all bent askew,
A crooked trail as all calves do.

Since then two hundred years have fled,
And, I infer, the calf is dead.
But still he left behind his trail,
And thereby hangs my moral tale.

The trail was taken up next day
By a lone dog that passed that way;
And then a wise bell-wether sheep
Pursued the trail o'er vale and steep,
And drew the flock behind him, too,
As good bell-wethers always do.

And from that day o'er hills and glade
Through those old woods a path was made;

And many men wound in and out,
And dodged, and turned, and bent about

And uttered words of righteous wrath
Because 'twas such a crooked path.

But still they followed—do not laugh—
The first migrations of that calf,
And through this windling woodway stalked.

Because he wobbled when he walked.

This forest path became a lane,
That bent, and turned, and turned again;

This crooked lane became a road,
Where many a poor horse with his load
Toiled on beneath the burning sun,

And traveled some three miles in one.
And thus, a century and a half
They trod in the footsteps of that calf.

The years passed on in swift fleet,
The road became a village street;
And this, before men were aware,
A city's crowded thoroughfare;
And soon the central street was this
Of a renowned metropolis.
And men two centuries and a half
Trod in the footsteps of that calf.

Each day a hundred thousand rout
Followed the zigzag calf about;
And o'er his crooked journey went
The traffic of a continent.

A hundred thousand men were led
By one calf near three centuries dead.
They followed still his crooked way,
And lost one hundred years a day;
For such reverence is lent
To well established precedent

A moral lesson this might teach,
Were I ordained and called to preach;
For men are prone to go it blind
Along the calf paths of the mind,
And work away from sun to sun
To do what other man have done.
They follow in the beaten track,
And out, and in and forth, and back,
And still their devious course pursue,
To keep the path that others do.
But how the wise-old wood gods laugh
Who saw the first primeval calf!
Ah! many things this tale might teach,
But I am not ordained to preach.

by their claims as to the superiority of the oral method.

The National Association of the Deaf, which is composed of the educated deaf in all parts of the country, is endeavoring to inform the public as to the other side of the case from the standpoint of the deaf. Most of us are poor and have to earn our living by our work, and we realize that we have a large task to combat the oralists, backed as they are by ample funds, and advocating a method which in the very nature of things appeals strongly to the hearing public. But we cannot sit still and with equanimity contemplate the general adoption of the oral method exclusively, which we know to be detrimental to the best interests of the deaf. We favor the Combined System which teaches speech to all who can profit by it, and gives the broadest mental and moral development through the sign language.

Some years ago Dr. Bell issued

through the Volta Bureau a circular in which by an ingenuous juggling of figures he attempted to show that only about 20 per cent of the deaf were being educated by the "Combined Method." The term "Combined Method" as used by Dr. Bell has an entirely different meaning from the term "Combined System" as understood by the friends of this system. The misleading nature of the circular was exposed in the deaf press at the time. But the effect of the circular seems to be still felt, for many oralists have an idea that the "Combined System" is but little used. As a matter of fact, about 80 per cent of the deaf children are in schools using the Combined System, and this proportion has varied but little during the past ten years.

You say, "It is not unusual to find deaf persons, educated under the old systems, who entertain the views expressed by you." No, indeed, it is not unusual! Fully 90 per cent of the deaf entertain these views, and among

them are many educated by the oral method.

Bear in mind, we are not opposed to oral instruction. We are opposed to the exclusive use of the oral method for all the deaf, and we are particularly opposed to the abolition of the sign language.

Yours very truly,
Olof Hanson,
Pres. Nat. Ass'n of the Deaf.

CHICAGO.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Sharpnack are rejoicing over the advent of a fine bouncing baby boy who arrived on the evening of March 9th. Both mother and babe are progressing fine. May the little one grow up to be a blessing, joy and comfort to the happy and proud parents. Even Uncle William is carrying a broad smile.

Miss Cora Coe of Yates City, Ill., a graduate of the Indiana school, is here making an extended visit to her sister. Her former class and school mates were pleased to see her again after an elapse of ten years.

Mrs. H. S. Rutherford and children will leave for Wichita, Kansas, in April for an extended visit to her parents. In the meanwhile her husband will contend himself with boarding.

The Susannah Wesley Circle was to have met with Mrs. McCoy March 14, but as she was moving, Miss Coe and her sister kindly entertained it.

Another oratorical contest for the silver cup, given under the auspices of the Ladies and Pastor's Aid Society will occur Saturday, April 20th. Rev. G. Flick is at present holding it, having won it twice in succession, and should he win it the third time in succession, he may have the pleasure of being the proud owner of it.

Mrs. Eller is the latest to join the Epworth League, at its last business meeting. She recently came here as a bride from West Virginia.

Mrs. Wm. Miller, who was taken to Alabama with the hopes of gaining some benefit to her health, passed away and was interred at that place in February.

Mrs. Otto Pauling, of Monroe, Ill., was in the city this month, as guest of Mrs. J. Gibney, Miss Cora Jacoba and Mrs. F. A. Martin.

Rev. P. J. Hasenstab was invited to deliver a lecture before the Home Club of the deaf at Delwan, Wis., March 23rd and to give a sermon at the school the preceding Sunday.

John Stinchcomb of Morris, Ill., was called to Quincy, Ill., by telegram to attend the funeral of his aged father who had died at the Soldiers Home whither he went about a month ago. He was interred in the soldiers' cemetery.

Jay Cook Howard delivered a lecture on Investments and Impostors at

the Parish house, February 28th. He and Rev. G. Flick joined the F. S. D.

Mrs. F. A. Martin is mourning the loss of her only brother who died on the 11th of March and was placed in a vault temporarily at Oakwoods Cemetery the following Thursday. He leaves a wife and one child.

PORTERVILLE, CAL.

A girl born to Mr. and Mrs. Abe Vandever February 14th last, who weighed six and one-fourth pounds. Her christian names are Vera Valentine. Mother and infant are doing well.

Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Burkhart's daughter, Glenn, was recently sent home sick here from the Berkeley school for the deaf. Her mother is nursing her.

Vice President Ed F. Dugan of Cogswell Club made his headquarters at Mr. and Mrs. L. A. Palmer's home for a few days before Cogswell Club met. He rolled up his sleeves and rushed in as an enthusiastic president. As a result there was a good masquerade of Cogswell Club at Price Hall last February 24th evening. Some of the maskers were as follows: Alvin Conrad, fat Duchman; Lizzie Martin, Gypsy; Mrs. Laura Martin, Ghost; Mrs. W. Wann, a country belle; Stuart Evans, a ragged colored woman; Robert Martin, a country woman; Dan Sherman, a hobo woman; John Sherman, a humped woman; Mrs. Mary Palmer, a colored wash woman; L. A. Palmer, a green rubber neck.

At the right hour the maskers were ordered to unmask. Then Secretary Palmer called the meeting to order and reported about the vice president's illness, so then Mr. Dan Sherman was voted and elected as president pro tem. He took the chair and thanked the audience for their support. Secretary Palmer moved that Cogswell Club play the Rainbow Coronation in honor of the first anniversary of Cogswell Club March 30th next, and described it and its proposed program, which was voted down. Mr. Stuart Evans moved that the club play some stage play for the same purpose. Mr. Palmer discussed the stage play, "Bashful Beau," but nothing was done. Sam Waters moved that the club dance and furnish some refreshments after Club Amapola's ways at Los Angeles. Several discussions followed, then President Sherman moved that the club add the whist game to the dance. The dance and whist game were voted and passed for next March 30th.

There were 19 mutes at the club. They were: Mrs. M. Dugan and Miss Carrie Cromley of Tulare, Messrs. S. Evans, D. Sherman, John Sherman and H. Wilder of Tulare, Alvin Conrad of Milo, Joseph Schupp of Orosi, Miss Lizzie Martin of Plano, Mr.

Hines of Plano, Sam Waters of Zante, Mr. and Mrs. Odel Martin, Mr. and Mrs. James Wann and Mr. and Mrs. L. A. Palmer of Porterville.

Vice President E. F. Dugan of Cogswell Club appointed L. A. Palmer as chairman on the arrangements for the first anniversary of Cogswell Club on March 30th.

Chairman L. A. Palmer chose helpers for the arrangements and made out the following program:

8 p. m. A reception with a few addresses.

8:30 p. m. Dance, followed by photograph.

10 p. m. Supper at some restaurant to be named later, returning then to Price Hall to play whist until midnight.

It has been reported that Mr. Robert Martin had an operation performed at the Mt Whitney Hospital and is getting better at present writing.

Relatives and friends of the mutes are invited to be present at the first anniversary of Cogswell Club at Price Talk and dance with the deaf. Mingle with them and stay as long as you like.

N. A. D.

Dr. T. F. Fox of New York City, Dr. J. B. Hotchkiss and Mr. Harley D. Drake of Washington, D. C., have been appointed a committee to raise funds for repairin the Gallaudet monument at Hartford. Agents will be appointed in each state and next December, on Gallaudet's birthday, all the deaf in the land will be asked to contribute to the fund.

The Executive Committee has passed a motion to print the report of the Colorado proceedings without the long formal papers, as there are not enough funds to print the full report. With the long papers left out it is expected that there will be enough money to print the report at once.

There has been some talk of changing the meeting place of the next convention from Cleveland to Omaha, and we understand that some Cleveland deaf favor the change. We see no reason for such a move. The deaf of Ohio have responded nobly to the call for members, while the deaf of Nebraska have not responded to the needs of the Association for more members.

Bible Class for the deaf meets on the third Sunday each month at 3:30 p. m. in Trinity Parish Church, corner Eighth Ave. & James St. All welcome. Olof Hanson, Lay-reader, in charge.

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If Mr. Spear succeeds in establishing that employment bureau for the deaf in Minneapolis, he will be a real benefactor to that class.

That splendid address, "Does It Pay," delivered by Supt. S. T. Walker at the Kansas school on the celebration of its golden jubilee is being copied by the deaf press everywhere. We would have it in the Observer too, for it cannot be too widely distributed, but our size forbids its publication.

STILL COMING.

The following are extracts from letters received recently by the President of the N. A. D. They were written by different persons, one deaf and one hearing, and both of national reputation.

"Best wishes for your success in managing a very unruly set of 'free-men.'"

"I just felt like writing you to congratulate you on your work in the interest of the deaf. In all controversies I have observed you to be a man in the full sense of the word."

DR. DOBYNS EXONERATED.

Dr. Dobyns of the Mississippi school has been undergoing an investigation by a committee of the state senate on account of charges of extravagance and mismanagement. He has been fully exonerated, and the deaf of the entire country will rejoice. Dr. Dobyns is one of the finest and most progressive men among the superintendents of today, and it means much to the real advancement of the deaf to have him continue in their service.

J. E. Gustin is back at work after a short lay-off. The firm for which he works has a job from Honolulu, Hawaiian Islands.

NOW IN THE CONVENTION CITY.

The Rev. B. R. Allabaugh has moved to Cleveland to live, and the good wishes of his legion of friends go with him to his new home. All will rejoice that his wife has safely come through an operation for appendicitis, and will soon be fully restored to strength. She is now in Omaha visiting her old home. With Mr. Allabaugh in Cleveland all will go well with the N. A. D. Convention. His new address is 679 Parkwood Drive, Glenville, Cleveland

FAITHFUL TO THEIR TRUST.

Supt. and Mrs. Clarke of the Vancouver school, are very popular with their pupils and teachers, especially the deaf. Hardly a party or entertainment is arranged by the deaf but Mr. and Mrs. Clarke are invited and they almost always find it convenient to attend. Supt. Clarke is a great storyteller and often entertains the company.

Mrs. Clarke has had considerable experience as an oral teacher, but she is also familiar with the sign language and in fact is one of the best sign-makers in the country. She takes great interest in the pupils' literary and C. E. societies, and her helpfulness is appreciated. If all oral teachers had a knowledge of the sign language and took as much interest in the deaf as Mrs. Clarke, there would be no antagonism between manual and oral methods.

We sympathize with the deaf of Wheeling and Eastern Ohio in the loss of their beautiful little chapel that they had worked so hard to build and which only last year was consecrated, free of all debt. And then to face the probability that it will never be rebuilt is almost too much for them. The uniting of their efforts in its construction and furnishing had made them brothers and sisters more than ever before; and now must they let go these dear ties?

The primary cause of the building of the church was the gift of a lot for the purpose some years ago. It was intended as a memorial to the late Mrs. George Steenrod. If the chapel is not rebuilt what becomes of the memorial? With the money secured from the insurance some sort of a memorial can surely be provided, it seems to us. The remainder of the money should be held in trust for the good of the little deaf mission. It is under the patronage of St. Matthew's Church, and it will without doubt do well by the mission.—Ohio Chronicle.

JIMMY POLISHING UP.

The last issue of the Washingtonian shows a decided improvement. Jimmy Meagher is making a great change in the appearance of the paper. We wish him success.

THE PATH THE CALF MADE.

On another page is a poem under the above heading. It is well worth reading. It should arouse thoughts, as the calf made a track we, too, are all doing. Are our tracks and examples helpful and uplifting or otherwise? Every person has more or less influence. This influence if rightly directed may result in a mighty road toward uprightness. R.

FOUR TO ONE.

The effort to hold the next state convention the coming summer failed. The motion was snowed under by a vote of four to one. The idea of the mover was to prevent the state and national conventions coming in the same year, 1913, however, as the steam roller has passed over him he is willing to let the majority rule.

IDAHO.

Superintendent Taylor of the State School for the Blind and the Deaf has opened the second school building. This building was practically completed some time ago. It has been set apart for the boys in its entirety, with four dormitories in the upper story, an equal number of class rooms on the main floor and a basement where is located the heating plant, the laundry and two or three other apartments that are well adapted for the general purposes of the school.

The opening was marked by a literary and musical entertainment, to which prominent educators of the state were invited.

Mr. Taylor is well pleased with the new building. Contractor Evans has made a good job of it. It is a matter for congratulation that although nothing has been slighted in the structure the building and furnishings will come well within the amount of the appropriation, which is \$30,000.

Numbers of the tables, stands and chairs now in use in the school and others to go into the new building are the handiwork of the boys of the school. And these articles of furniture are substantially put together and elegantly finished. The material used is beautiful oak on all the pieces.

—Falls City, Idaho, Times.

ASSOCIATION INCREASING.

A. W. Wright of Seattle and Mr. Van Emons of Vancouver have recently become members of the Washington State Association of the Deaf. P. L. Axling has also renewed his membership. Who next?

TAKING GREELEY'S ADVICE.

Letters from several Eastern deaf announce that they contemplate making Seattle their home in the near future. No better place to live can be found in this country than in Seattle.

LOCAL NEWS

Of late Ernest Swangren has been hustling at the White Advertising Co. and Christ Lee printeries.

Mrs. J. E. Gustin, although she was an enthusiastic worker for the birthday party, was unable to attend on account of illness.

J. E. Gustin is back at work after a short lay-off. The firm for which he works has a job from Honolulu, Hawaiian islands.

A special Easter service will be held at Trinity church April 7. Mrs. Hanson will be the leader and an interesting exercise is being prepared.

Who wouldn't live out where the editor of this paper does? At the recent election Mayor Cotterill received 176 votes in that precinct while his opponent second but 17.

Mr. and Mrs. Bert Haire have pulled up stakes and moved away over north of Ballard, a suburb of Seattle. They are near enough, however, to get down to the doings occasionally.

Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Bishop, of Fessenden, North Dakota, were in Seattle a couple of days early this week, and dined with the Hansons on Monday. Mr. Bishop was formerly clerk of the Minnesota School, but has expanded into a successful financier.

Last Sunday, while Mr. and Mrs. Wright, True Partridge, and the Hansons were peacefully conversing in the home of the latter, the house next door was entered by a sneak thief and over \$100 worth of silver and jewelry stolen. The family was absent at church.

THE MONTHLY.

The monthly social was of unusual interest. A. H. Koberstein gave us an excellent account of his wedding trip to California. Mrs. A. W. Wright, in her usual charming manner, favored us with a solo. The balance of the evening was in charge of Miss Myrtle Hammond. Prizes were won by Mrs. Swangren and Alfred Waugh.

A DOUBLE BIRTHDAY PARTY.

On the evening of the 16th a goodly number of the local deaf gathered at the home of Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Wright. It was intended as a surprise to Mrs. Wright and Mrs. Swangren, both of whose birthdays occurred about that time.

Mrs. Wright was completely surprised. Mrs. Swangren who was present to attend the affair in honor of Mrs. Wright was also much taken aback to find she was also one of the favored.

The usual good time was enjoyed at games and social conversation. Before parting ice cream and real cake were distributed. Every one pronounced it one of the very best times.

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SPOKANE.

Audley Carl is working in a cement mill at Oglesbay, about 30 miles from Chicago, Ill.

Mrs. Mary Schaffer came here from Canada and lives with her parents.

Frank Maspoust is going to Edwell, Wash., on business soon for several weeks.

Mrs. H. Keegan and youngest daughter Katie are employed in the Cascade Laundry. They moved here from Minnesota last year. The husband of Mrs. Keegan died in Minneapolis some years ago.

The father of John Toner died in New Mexico last November. John is still busy in the Inland Empire car shop as a foreman painter.

William Henrich is still working at asphalt street paving. He is going to buy a new Indian motorcycle. Several mutes are going to have motorcycles this spring.

Fred Falmer and Nicky Coyne are sawing wood near Mead, eight miles northeast of here during winter. They will return to work in the brick yard about April 15. Mrs. Falmer and little boy are doing well.

Alfred Arnot had been working in the new 12-story Pacific Telephone & Telegraph building for several months. He is going to Coeur d'Alene, Wallace, St. Maries, St. Joe and other towns in Idaho and Washington on business.

The Literary Association meeting was held in a house of Miss Amanda Bergerson's parents on Saturday evening, March 16. President Mr. Prisby was absent. Vice President Miss E. Ford opened the meeting. Mr. David Krause gave a most interesting story. Miss Ford gave a beautiful declamation of "Love Life." Messrs. Krause, Arnot, O'Leary and Barney told various stories. The regular business meeting will be held at Mr. and Mrs. Bergh's home, April 6, Saturday evening.

The Association gave a social at home of Mr. and Mrs. Barney on Saturday night, Feb. 24th. Various games were played all night. Lunches were auctioned, and the money secured was put in the association fund. About 20 mutes attended the society.

—Bob.

1778—WASHINGTON—1912.

The snow storm swept o'er creek and crags,

The soldiers late so bold,
Had nothing but their tattered rags
To shield them from the cold.

'Pray, what's the use? Our foes in town

On downy beds repose,
They drink success to George's crown,
We nurse our frozen toes."

'Twas thus they grumbled, gaunt and grim

Till—lo! their leader came,
Valley Forge they followed him
To freedom and to fame.

Immortal Washington is dead,
But on the Western Coast
A stalwart state now rears her head
Responsive to the toast;

A state with sturdy strength that dares

To lead and blaze the trail,
And like the man whose name it bears
Knows no such word as "fail";

Whose ranges kiss the setting sun

In snow-crowned, solemn state,

Vast cenotaphs to Washington—

Huge tombstones to the great.

—J. F. Meagher.

Be not carried away with zeal for mere private opinions. Let others, in things indifferent, form their own.—Selected.

Whoever looks for a friend without imperfections will never find what he seeks. We love ourselves with all our faults; we should love our friends in like manner.—Selected.

Try not to discover what others think of you. If they think well, it may be more than we deserve; if they think ill, and we know it, it will tend to give us uncharitable feelings towards them, and disquiet us in vain.—Selected.

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TACOMA.

Mrs. Hammond and Miss Patterson made a round of calls the other day. The weather was irresistible, you know.

Mrs. Hammond and Miss Patterson spent last Friday with Mrs. Foster, who now lives on the Spanaway line near Sunshine station.

Mr. Foster's brother-in-law, a mute from Wisconsin, arrived in Tacoma some weeks ago. The day following his arrival he secured a job and started to work before noon in a tailoring establishment. Tacoma has the goods!

Miss Patterson, who is having her first experience with Puget Sound weather, is beginning to open her eyes in amazement at our early spring. She can hardly believe it isn't May when she sees flowers in bloom on every hand.

Mr. Whitehead, of Vancouver, B. C., has been spending a few days here of the season, was given at Point Defiance with his friend, Mr. Rowan. Sunday a basket picnic, the first of the season, was given at Point Defiance in his honor. It was an ideal picnic day, sun shining and warm. Mr. John Thomas was given his choice of making a toast or the coffee, and straightway he got busy making the latter, which proved to be "the vest-ever". After lunch, the crowd sauntered around the park in twos and threes, admiring the crocuses, primroses, daisies and other early flowers.

One night recently Mr. Rowan picked up a newspaper which bore this scarehead: "You can register till twelve tonight." Rushing to the bed where his room mate, John Thomas, lay sleeping, he shook him vigorously. While John T. rubbed his eyes sleepily, John R. explained the situation to him. But John T. lacked enthusiasm. "Oh, go 'long. I don't care about voting; I want to sleep," said he. "But man," said John R., "don't you know it is your duty? Get up, I say, and hurry." So John T. hurried into his clothes and the two Johnnies made a dash for the city hall. Nothing doing there! "What does this mean," John R. inquired of the janitor, "the paper said the registry books were open till twelve tonight!" That was last night," replied the janitor with a grin.

The sequel of this interesting story will appear later—if any of you express a liking for harrowing tales of bloodshed.

PROFESSIONAL CARDS.

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SOUTH DAKOTA.

By Edward P. Olson.

Saturday evening, February 24, at the appointed hour the surprisers gathered at the Holmes store on the east side and marched to 429 North Cliff avenue, Sioux Falls, and took possession. The gathering was in honor of Mr. and Mrs. Olaf A. Olson's birthday, the former on the 26th and the latter on the 14th. Mr. Olson did not think there would be a party as the mutes enjoyed themselves at the masquerade party on the evening of the 22nd at the South Dakota school, and so he went down town to do some shopping. On returning home he was surprised to see a big crowd there. After a short conversation, games of new ideas were the most feature, conducted by Miss Gillman and Mr. Harper of the school. At 10 p. m. Mr. R. W. Williams made a fine, suitable speech with some wit and humor and in behalf of the company presented Mr. and Mrs. Olson with a collection of beautiful dishes. They responded with thanks.

Refreshments were served. Games were then resumed till the hour they disbanded for home. The following were present: The Misses Britt, Gillman, Eaton and Gorman and Mr. Harper; Mr. and Mrs. R. W. Williams and Helen; Mr. and Mrs. Lee Johnson, Mr. and Mrs. F. E. Worswick and Roy and Elvira; Miss Hulda Anderson, Roman Berke of Montrose; Grant Daniels, Otto E. Brorby and Edward P. Olson.

Roman Burke of Montrose spent Washington's birthday with his brother Bryan at the school and attended the masquerade party. Mr. Burke works as an engineer in a flour mill for his father.

The first week of February Miss Anna Kimmell of Garretson was a guest of Mrs. F. E. Worswick.

L. M. Larson, who was for 16 years superintendent of New Mexico school and then an officer a year at the S. D. school, has decided to become a permanent resident of Faribault, Minn. He has purchased a small farm out near Wells' Lake, and in the spring he will begin to delve in the soil and make it yield him its treasures. This winter he is makin home with his brother, Rev. C. M. Larson, at the city.

Chris A. Hanson, who for many years farmed near Lennox and Worthing, sold his personal property to a party from Sioux Falls. Mr. Hanson with him family moved to Canton this spring and starts truck gardening.

The first week of March Otto E. Brorby of Sioux Falls, was at Rutland to visit his brother and family and to see his brother-in-law about getting the contract to build a \$2,000 barn. The brother-in-law did not give the contract but appointed him as foreman. He expects to begin erecting the coming season.

On December 31, 1911, occurred the marriage of John H. Wudel of Parkston, S. D., to Miss Myrtle Faulkner, at the home of her parents, near Woodland, Miss. Both were educated at the Mississippi School. Mr. Wudel was a pupil at the South Dakota School a term after his parents moved to this state. The couple are living on their own fine farm near Parkston.

Miss Bertha Stowe of Redfield is visiting in California this winter.

The writer recently heard from Peter Dalgaard. Mr. and Mrs. Dalgaard arrived safely at Beresford from Kokomo, Ind., and are now living seven miles south of Worthing.

March 9th F. C. Gueffroy of Madison, dropped in Sioux Falls, on his returning home from his visit to his parents at Fremont, Neb., and the Iowa School, from which he graduated.

Mr. Gueffroy explained the trip he made half way around the globe. He only crossed the Pacific to Japan, passed up through from Nagasaki to Tokyo. The Japs are extremely courteous to Americans and Englishmen. The Japanese are a pretty lively and hardy people but as a country it is nothing compared to the United States. The Japanese know that they would have no chance in a war with the United States.

From Japan he sailed and touched the coast of China, the Philippines and the Hawaiian Islands. The trip was a pleasant one.

Mr. Gueffroy operates a linotype machine in a daily newspaper office at Madison, S. D., and has no trouble in doing it. He says it is feasible and possible for any deaf person of intelligence to do it.

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CONGRESSIONAL EXHIBIT.

Representative Sheron Akin of New York, is not deaf and dumb, but he acts as though he might be. He will not permit himself to be classed either as a Republican or a Democrat, and he seems to have his knife sharpened for almost anything coming along. One day last week Mr. Akin rose in his seat, and secured consent to address the House for five minutes. He opened his desk, took out a great big bundle, and, unwrapping the contents, sent the same to the clerk's desk.

"Gentlemen," he said, "I wish to deliver a speech without words." At that moment the clerk propped up on his desk so that every member could see it, a great big placard bearing pictures of two dinner pails. Across the top of the placard was the legend: "The full dinner pail." Underneath was one great big, shiny-looking, well-filled dinner bucket marked "1900." And beside it another little, rusty, battered, empty dinner bucket, marked "1913."

For the full five minutes of his allotted time Mr. Akin stood at his place in profound silence. Every now and then he waved his hand at the exhibit. His colleagues contemplated the placard in silence. When his five minutes were up the Speaker's gavel fell, the clerk removed the dinner-pail exhibit, and Mr. Akin sat down.

Mr. Akin is the man whose campaign expenses last year were just 35 cents—30 cents for a dinner pail and five cents for a lemon.

If Mr. Akin supposed that he was going to profoundly impress his audience, or, on the other hand, arouse them to a high pitch of enthusiasm, he failed of his purpose. Not a member smiled, and he was permitted to have his five minutes without interruption of any kind. Just how he is going to get his deaf-and-dumb speech into the Congressional Record it will be hard to tell.—Washington, D. C., Tribune.

TO THE ALUMNI OF GALLAUDET COLLEGE.

Having obtained recognition from the Chair at Duluth (the Chair is really at this writing on wheels) I shall proceed to address you on a red-hot subject.

I take it for granted, that as loyal sons and daughters of your Alma Mater, the mere mention of the name Gallaudet kindles the fondest glow in the region of your heart; that the sight of our colors—long may they wave—is to you an inspiration; that whenever you get together, as on the occasions of your banquets, you give three hearty cheers for the old College; that—yes, there's something more—something you ought to have enough collegespirit to include, and I wish I could take it for granted that

you have. There's the Buff & Blue, the College magazine, that Pride of the undergraduates,—and it ought to be the pride of us alumni.

I repeat it that the Buff & Blue ought to be the pride of the alumni, seeing that the magazine is identified with the College just as closely as the College Colors themselves: it stands for and speaks for the College, and by it the College is judged.

Many of you are business men and those of you who are not have enough business sense to know that a good advertisement pays, but that a poor advertisement is worse than none at all. The Buff & Blue is our official organ and as such is in a sense our advertisement. Can we afford to let this advertisement run without our attention and financial backing? Can we afford to let it be discontinued, as it threatens to be if we do not come to its assistance? Let us cease to talk about our love for "dear old Gallaudet" if we'll stand for that.

But the cold, disagreeable fact that less than one-half of us are on the subscription list of the Buff & Blue stares us in the face. To the half not on and therefore very likely out of touch with the College, I would say: Come, rejuvenate your college spirit in the genial glow of the pages that emanate from the Board of Editors on Kendall Green. Forward the trifling price for so much pure joy! It is a safe investment, guaranteed to produce great spiritual dividends, such as that satisfied feeling, which the Chair, who knows all about investments, will tell you, for he himself sends in his dollar per. And don't be afraid of not getting your money's worth. The fact is, as I have heard remarked many times, the Alumni Notes of the Buff & Blue are in themselves worth a dollar. All the rest—you need not read it if you don't like it—is therefore the same as a gift to the subscribers from the Board of Editors.

Would it not then be the consistent thing for you spell-binders to make a little noise for Buff & Blue with your COIN.—J. H. McFarlane.

PROCLAMATION.

WHEREAS, The people of Clendenin and vicinity have been led to subscribe for country papers from which they have received no benefit whatever, and having thus wasted their hard-earned money, it has come to pass that they know not what a better paper they should take. Inasmuch as this unsatisfactory state of affairs exists, THEREFORE, ALL PERSONS who are in need of such a paper that will print all the news there is—live local news and matter that will particularly interest all the classes all the time—will be highly pleased to hear that

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Now, therefore, I, Frank E. Philpott, do set apart Thursday, the 4th day of April next, as the day on which the first issue of The Clendenin News will be published, and on that day I recommend that all persons who have not received a sample copy, call at Room 5 of the King Hardware Building or write for it. Only \$1.00 a year.

Done at the City of Clendenin, this 16th day of March, in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and twelve.

FRANK E. PHILPOTT,

Publisher.

(The above was forwarded to us. Mr. Philpott seems to be booming things in West Virginia.)

Speak not at all, in any wise, till you have somewhat to speak; care not for the reward of your speaking, but simply and with undivided mind for the truth of your speaking.—Carlyle.

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